

Bacon House
Bacons Neck, Cumberland County, New Jersey

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Owner: Mrs. Sara Hancock

Date of Erection: Wing 1750-1775; main unit before
1800

Architect:

Builder: Wing James Bacon; main unit David Bacon

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories: Two and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - brick

Exterior walls - brick

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch

Historical Data:

There is on record an Indian deed dated June 25, 1683 by which Samuel Bacon acquired four hundred acres of land; this is undoubtedly the piece upon which this house stands. We have definitely traced the ownership of this property back to March 28, 1775 when James Bacon left to his oldest son David the plantation where he lived. In a division of the lands of David Bacon in 1813 another James acquired the tract with the house. He sold it in 1816 to Isaac Mulford. After the death of Isaac Mulford the property descended

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to his daughter Sara, the wife of Thomas Sheppard. The present owner obtained possession through the will of her father Daniel M. Sheppard in 1892. Thus the property has been since its erection in the hands of two families - the Bacon family and the Mulford-Sheppard family.

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